

MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Official Minutes April 6, 2005

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**MINUTES OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED HIGHWAYS AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING HELD IN
JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI, ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2005**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission held on Wednesday, April 6, 2005, in Jefferson City, Missouri, was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Marjorie B. Schramm, Chairman. The following Commissioners were present: Bill McKenna, Vice Chairman, James B. Anderson, Duane S. Michie, Larry D. Webber, and Wallace S. Hartsfield.

The meeting had been called pursuant to Section 226.120 of the 2000 Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended. The Secretary verified that notice of the meeting was posted in keeping with Section 610.020 of the 2000 Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

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Mr. Pete Rahn, Director of the Missouri Department of Transportation; Mr. Rich Tiemeyer, Chief Counsel for the Commission; and Mrs. Mari Ann Winters, Secretary to the Commission, were present on Wednesday, April 6, 2005.

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*"Department" or "MoDOT" herein refers to Missouri Department of Transportation.
"Commission" or "MHTC" herein refers to Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.*

CLOSED MEETING

The agenda of the closed meeting was posted in keeping with Sections 610.020 and 610.022, RSMo., including the following statutory citations allowing the meeting to be closed:

1. Section 610.021(11), (12) – Specifications for competitive bidding, sealed bids, or negotiated contracts.
2. Section 610.021(1) – Legal actions and attorney-client privileged communications.
3. Section 610.021(3), (13) – Personnel administration regarding particular employees.

Immediately prior to closing its meeting, and upon motion duly made and seconded to convene in closed session, the Chairman asked for a voice vote of the members. The vote was as follows:

Commissioner Schramm, Aye
Commissioner McKenna, Aye
Commissioner Michie, Aye
Commissioner Anderson, Aye
Commissioner Webber, Aye
Commissioner Hartsfield, Aye

The Commission met in the Closed Meeting from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES, REGULARLY SCHEDULED HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETING, MARCH 9, 2005, AND CONFERENCE CALL MEETING, MARCH 24, 2005

Upon motion by Commissioner Michie, seconded by Commissioner McKenna, the Commission unanimously approved the minutes of its March 9, 2005, regularly scheduled meeting, and March 24, 2005, conference call meeting. The Chair and Secretary to the Commission were authorized and directed to sign and certify said minutes and to file same in the office of the Secretary.

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CONSENT AGENDA

In order to make the most efficient use of Commission meeting time and to ensure the Commission members are well informed on issues requiring their action, the staff prepares and submits to the Commission members, in advance of their meeting, internal memoranda consisting of advice, opinions, and recommendations related to the items on the Commission meeting agenda. Those items considered by the staff to be of a routine or noncontroversial nature are placed on a consent agenda. During the meeting, items can be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any one Commission member. The items that are not removed from the consent agenda are approved with a single motion and unanimous vote by a quorum of the members.

Minutes reflecting approval of items on the consent agenda are singly reported herein and intermingled with minutes reflecting action on related subjects that were openly discussed. Reference to "consent agenda" is made in each minute approved via the process described in the paragraph above. Minutes reflecting action on items removed from the consent agenda and openly discussed reflect the open discussion and vote thereon.

No items were removed from the consent agenda. Upon motion by Commissioner McKenna, seconded by Commissioner Webber, all items on the consent agenda were unanimously approved.

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REPORTS OF COMMISSION COMMITTEES AND COMMISSION RELATED BOARDS

The Commission has five committees: Audit Committee, Bond Financing Committee, Building Committee, Compensation Committee, and Legislative Committee. In addition, it elects Commission representatives to two boards: Missouri Transportation Finance Corporation Board of Directors and MoDOT and Patrol Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees.

The following committee reports were made during the April 6, 2005, meeting.

Bond Finance Committee – The Bond Finance Committee had not met; however, Pat Goff, Director of Finance reported that the underwriters and underwriters’ counsel have been identified. Bonds are anticipated to be issued in June 2005.

Legislative Committee – Commissioner McKenna reported that the General Assembly is focused on finalizing the budget; the MoDOT staff has been meeting with members of the General Assembly to provide information supporting primary seatbelt legislation; and a bill to increase penalties for those responsible for accidents in construction work zones continues to be debated.

MoDOT and Patrol Employee Retirement System Board of Trustees - Commissioner Anderson presented the following highlights from the March 31, 2005, meeting of the MoDOT and Patrol Employees Retirement System (MPERS) Board of Trustees.

- The Board welcomed new members Representative John Griesheimer and Representative Charles Schlottach to the Board.
- The retirement system’s actuary presented the five-year experience report.
- Claire West, Executive Director of the Joint Legislative Committee on Retirement, discussed public pension plans as they are operating today and the changes that can be expected in the future.
- The Board discussed pending legislation to consolidate MPERS with the Missouri State Employees Retirement System and reaffirmed the Board’s prior positions, which are consistent with those taken by the Commission on March 24, 2005. Should no action be taken on the pending legislation this session, the Board asked their Senator and Representative members to sponsor a concurrent resolution asking the Governor to appoint a special commission to investigate the issue of consolidation; the recommendations of the special commission would be considered by the General Assembly during its 2006 session.

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DELEGATION REPRESENTING THE JEFFERSON CITY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, AND COLE COUNTY

Mr. Chris Yarnell, Cole County Director of Public Works, was the spokesman for a delegation representing the Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce, the City of Jefferson, and Cole County. Mr. Yarnell highlighted major transportation improvements that had been completed through cooperative efforts of the city, county, and state.

Mr. Yarnell reported that the area was united in its support of a project to upgrade Route 50 to a dual lane facility. He noted that those participating in the planning framework process had identified the improvement of Route 50 from St. Martins to California as a high priority need. Mr. Yarnell pointed out that this section of two-lane roadway carries approximately 10,000 vehicles per day. During the past five-year period, 596 accidents and eight fatalities have occurred in this area. He stated that upgrading Route 50 to four lanes would provide an alternate for Interstate Route 70.

Mr. Yarnell advised the Commission that Cole County, Jefferson City, and MoDOT are working cooperatively to identify the problems on Route 50 between Dix Road and Eastland Drive. A consultant study, funded by Cole County, will assist in this effort. Mr. Yarnell discussed plans for development within the city that will require better access to Route 50.

Mr. Yarnell reviewed a proposal to upgrade Route 54 from Kingdom City to Jefferson City and Route 63 from Jefferson City to Columbia to Interstate standards in order to provide an Interstate Loop designated as I-570. This loop would provide an alternate means of travel during I-70 reconstruction. It would also provide Interstate access to one of only five state capitals that do not have such access.

Director Rahn reported that the planning framework process had identified Route 50 from St. Martins to California as a high priority need. Subsequent planning meetings are scheduled to further discuss priorities that can be accomplished within MoDOT's funding levels. The outcome of those discussions and resulting staff recommendations on projects to include in the 2006-2010 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program will be presented to the Commission at its May 2005 meeting. Mr. Rahn advised the Commission that the staff has been looking at

each project from a “practical design” perspective in an effort to lower the cost and thereby address more needs.

In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Michie, Mr. Yarnell said he had been very pleased with both the planning framework process and the practical design efforts.

Commissioner Anderson commended the chamber, city, and county for their cooperative effort and regional perspective.

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DELEGATION REPRESENTING GROW ON 50 COALITION

Mr. Jim Hulse, Chairman of the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone, was spokesman for a delegation requesting a four-lane improvement of Route 50 from east of Linn to California. He stated that the “Grow on 50” was initiated by the Gasconade Valley Enterprise Zone in 1999 to focus attention on the need to upgrade the Route 50 corridor to four lanes. It includes local governments, regional planning commissions, transportation advisory groups, businesses, industries, and local elected officials in an eight-county area along the Route 50 corridor. Mr. Hulse asked the Commission to recognize Route 50 as a high priority corridor and begin the highway improvement process.

Mr. Hulse noted that the eight counties along the Route 50 corridor (Franklin, Gasconade, Osage, Cole, Moniteau, Morgan, Pettis, and Cooper) are growing faster than the state of Missouri as a whole because increased numbers of people are moving to rural areas. He reported an 18 percent increase in population had resulted in overcrowding the current two-lane substandard sections of Route 50.

Mr. Hulse stated that improvements to Route 50 should be viewed as part of Missouri's economic revitalization efforts. He pointed out that economic growth in the eight counties is occurring at a faster pace than the state as a whole.

Mr. Hulse reported that traffic on Route 50 in Osage County increased by 23 percent (nearly 3000 vehicles a day) from 2000 to 2002 and traffic on Route 50 in Pettis County increased 63 percent (10,604 vehicles a day) during the same time period. He stated that two-lane highways were designed to carry 7,500 vehicles a day. He noted that several sections of Route 50 from Franklin County to Pettis County exceed that amount, with some carrying as many as 25,000 vehicles per day.

Mr. Hulse stated that as a result of additional travel on Route 50, accidents had increased. He reported that since 1991 there had been 15,842 accidents on Route 50 in the eight-county area and 137 fatalities. Forty-eight of those fatalities occurred in Franklin County; 23 occurred in Cole County.

Mr. Hulse predicted that upgrading Route 50 to four lanes would result in reduced congestion on Route I-70.

Chairman Schramm thanked the delegation for its informative presentation and consensus-building efforts.

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COST-SHARE PROJECTS, ELECTION RESULTS

Director Rahn reported that three ballot measures pertaining to local tax increases to cost-share three state highway corridor improvements were considered by local areas on April 5, 2005.

The proposal for a 15-year ½-cent sales tax in a five county area (Macon, Marion, Monroe, Shelby, and Ralls) failed. This proposed cost-share would have provided a 52-mile, four-lane improvement of Route 36 extending from west of Hannibal to Macon.

Voters in the city of Poplar Bluff approved a proposal that will result in cost sharing a \$180 million project to four-lane 50 miles of Route 67.

Voters in the city of Washington approved a proposal that will result in cost sharing a \$42 million project to improve a ten-mile section of Route 100.

Mr. Rahn noted that with limited funding for transportation improvements, cost-sharing provides a good means to accomplish needed highway improvements. He expressed the hope that more cost-share projects would materialize in the future.

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FISCAL YEAR 2005 BUDGET

On behalf of the Director, Pat Goff, Director of Finance, reviewed the Fiscal Year 2005 revenues and expenditures to date and recommended the budget be increased from \$1,798,709,000 to \$1,842,539,000. He highlighted the following major reasons for the increase:

1. Increase of \$20,813,000 for various Multimodal Programs grant awards.
2. Increase of \$19,017,000 for additional payments and pass-through payments to local entities related to the federal Transportation Enhancement program.
3. Increase of \$4,000,000 for additional refund of over collected motor fuel taxes.
4. Adjustment in the Fleet Equipment Acquisition and Leasing Plan to spend an additional \$1,107,000, which has resulted from internal transfers within MoDOT.

After discussion and upon motion by Commissioner Michie, seconded by Commissioner McKenna, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation. Director Rahn

explained that MoDOT is a unique state agency in that it has to continually adjust its budget to recognize unanticipated additional revenue in order to be able to spend those dollars.

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WORK ZONE SAFETY OUTREACH CAMPAIGN

On behalf of the Director, Kevin Keith, Chief Engineer, noted that the Amendment 3 financed Smoother, Safer, Sooner program will result in more than 1,000 work zones in Missouri in 2005. As a result, the staff has focused efforts on actively managing work zones, communicating information about work zones to the public, and enhancing the MoDOT website to provide up-to-date information to motorists. Specific strategies being used in each of these areas were presented by Mr. Keith, Melissa Black, Outreach Coordinator, Matt Heibert, Public Information Coordinator, and Linda Wilson, Public Affairs Manager.

The Commission recognized that work zones demand an increased focus on safety and encouraged the staff to continue their efforts to encourage motorists to drive cautiously.

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HUMAN RESOURCES AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ANNUAL UPDATE

On behalf of the Director, Micki Knudsen, Human Resources Director, and Brenda Treadwell-Martin, Equal Opportunity Director, provided general statistical information regarding the workforce and an update on MoDOT efforts to promote diversity within the organization.

Highlights included the following:

- MoDOT's workforce is smaller than it was ten years ago and currently has 180 fewer employees than four year ago.
- Without overtime, salaried employees worked 94 percent of the total hours available in 2004, which equates, on average, to each MoDOT employee using 125 hours (3 weeks) of leave time, including sick leave.

- Only 26 percent of MoDOT employees are earning at or above market value for their job. The number of employees below market value has increased by almost 8 percent in the last three years.
- Average monthly salaries have increased slightly over the last four years, but they have not kept pace with the cost of living. Since Fiscal Year 2001, the average salary has a reduced buying power of 5.2 percent.
- Average MoDOT employee tenure (12 years) is nearly double that of other state agencies.
- The employee turnover rate is 5.6 percent, which is significantly lower than both the national turnover rate (20.2 percent) and the turnover rate for other state agencies (16.1 percent).
- Almost 24 percent of MoDOT employees will be eligible to retire within the next five years.
- Forty-two percent of U.S.-born Latino immigrant children ages 18 to 24 are attending college.
- Thirteen percent of the U.S. population is African-American.
- Over the next 15 years, the Asian and Pacific Islander population is expected to increase over the nation's other racial groups.
- In the last 14 years, 63 percent of the people entering the workforce were women.
- During 2002, approximately 30 percent of disabled men and women aged 18 to 64 in the U.S. were employed.

Ms. Treadwell-Martin referred to various outreach programs, cultural education, and affirmative action efforts to increase diversity within MoDOT. She also noted that an Employees Advisory Council and mentoring programs are being developed within MoDOT to encourage greater diversity within the organization.

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**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES EXCEEDING \$25,000,
PRE-EMPLOYMENT/POST OFFER PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS**

On behalf of the Director, Pat Goff, Director of Finance, recommended approval of the total expenditure of approximately \$280,000 per year for the professional services associated with the pre-employment/post offer physical examination program. The pre-employment/post offer physicals have proven to be beneficial both in detecting drug use and physical conditions that would hinder an individual from safely performing the duties of the respective position.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendations and authorized the Director of Administrative Services or the Director of Finance to execute the contract documents and approve and execute any amendments to the contracts. The Commission further approved the extension of these expenditures through the next two contract periods.

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**PURCHASE EXCEEDING \$200,000,
14-FOOT SNOW PLOWS**

On behalf of the Director, Jim Carney, State Maintenance Engineer, recommended approval to purchase 54, 14-foot snow plows from Viking Cives at the total cost of \$252,720. Fourteen-foot plows will allow 12-foot lanes to be cleared with only one pass. These 14-foot plows will replace 10-foot plows and damaged 12-foot plows.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation, and authorized the Director, Chief Engineer, Director of Operations, or Purchasing Supervisor to execute any document necessary to complete this transaction to secure these snow plows before the winter of 2005-2006.

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**PURCHASE EXCEEDING \$200,000,
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM EQUIPMENT**

On behalf of the Director, Dave DeWitt, Director of Administrative Services, and Ed Hassinger, District 6 Engineer, recommended approval of an agreement with EIS Electronic Systems, Inc., to provide traffic detectors for the Intelligent Transportation System at an estimated cost of \$629,160. The contract term is one year with an option to renew for two additional one-year periods.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation.

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**PURCHASE EXCEEDING \$200,000,
INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM EQUIPMENT**

On behalf of the Director, Dave DeWitt, Director of Administrative Services, and Ed Hassinger, District 6 Engineer, recommended approval of a renewal contract with Ledstar Electronic Systems, Inc., to provide Dynamic Message Sign boards for the Intelligent Transportation System in District 6, at an anticipated cost of \$462,560. The renewal contract period is for one year, with an option to renew for one additional year. Actual cost will depend on actual number of units purchased.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation and authorized the Director, Chief Engineer, or Director of Administrative Services to execute the renewal contract and approve and execute further extensions within the provisions of the contract.

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**PURCHASE EXCEEDING \$200,000,
TRAFFIC VIDEO DETECTION EQUIPMENT**

On behalf of the Director, Dave DeWitt, Director of Administrative Services and Mike Bruemmer, District 2 Engineer, recommended approval of a contract with Delta Technologies, Inc., at a cost of \$234,999.01, for traffic video detection cameras. The cameras will replace induction loop detectors at 17 signalized intersections.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation and authorized the Director, Chief Engineer, or the Director of Administrative Services to execute the contract. The contract is subject to approval as to form by the Chief Counsel's office.

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TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

On behalf of the Director, Kyle Kittrell, Transportation Planning Director, presented a list of transportation enhancement projects prioritized by the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC).

Mr. Kittrell recommended the use of federal transportation enhancement funds in the amount of \$3,680,000 for the 2005-2006 projects listed below. These projects have been selected and prioritized by MARC and the cost noted represents 80 percent of the total project cost; the remaining 20 percent minimum match will be provided by MoDOT transportation partners.

2005 - 2006 MARC Selected Projects

Sponsor	Project Title	Recommended Funding
Independence	Truman Road - Maywood District Streetscape Improvements - Phase III	\$405,800.00
KCATA	18th and Troost Landscaping and Pedestrian Improvements	\$120,975.00

Platte County/Kansas City	Barry Road at I-29 Facility for Pedestrians/Bicycles and Landscaping	\$300,000.00
Independence	Little Blue Trace Extension	\$175,186.00
Platte County	Hwy 45 Pedestrian/Bicycle Extension	\$384,785.00
Jackson County/Independence	Little Blue Trace Multipurpose Trail Improvements - 04	\$473,000.00
KCMO Parks and Recreation	Brush Creek Trail - Lake of the Enshriners to Prospect Avenue	\$490,000.00
MoDOT/KCMO	Three Trails Crossing under US71	\$490,000.00
MoDOT/Independence	Hwy 24 Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations from Salem/Davis to east of 291	\$230,250.00
KCMO Parks and Recreation	Indian Creek Trail 99th Street to Lydia	\$430,125.00
Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill Trail Old MOPAC Section	\$179,879.00
Total:		\$3,680,000.00

Mr. Kittrell also recommended approval of the tentative list of future projects listed below in the amount of \$482,871. These projects have been selected and prioritized by MARC and will only receive funding if future allocations exist. The cost noted represents 80 percent of total project cost; the remaining 20 percent minimum match will be provided by MoDOT transportation partners.

MARC Tentative Projects

Sponsor	Project Title	Recommended Funding
Pleasant Hill	Pleasant Hill Trail Old MOPAC Section	\$208,621.00
Gladstone	Shoal Creek Bike/Ped Bridge	\$224,250.00
Gladstone	Englewood at Broadway Beautification	\$50,000.00
Total:		\$482,871.00

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendations.

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CONSIDERATION OF BIDS ON FEDERAL-AID AND STATE PROJECTS
Award of Contracts March 25, 2005, Bid Opening

On behalf of the Director, Dave Nichols, Director of Project Development, stated that bids for road and bridge improvement projects had been received on March 25, 2005. Mr. Nichols presented a tabulation of the bids received on all projects and recommended awards be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder noted below. He further recommended that the bid of Al McKinley, Inc., be declared non-responsive on Call 103 because it was blank.

<u>Route County Project</u>	<u>Bid Amount Plus 2% for Contingencies</u>	<u>Non- Contractual Costs</u>	<u>Contractor</u>
Call 101 29 Andrew J1I0906 29 Andrew/Holt J1D0500I	\$3,993,095.50	\$800.00	Herzog Contracting Corp. St. Joseph, MO
Call 102 Z DeKalb J1S0718	626,719.31	476.39	APAC-Missouri, Inc. Columbia, MO
Call 103 O DeKalb J1S0722	664,417.57	858.35	APAC-Missouri, Inc. Columbia, MO
Call 104 36 Buchanan J1M0048	55,816.29		Fulk Contracting LLC Platte City, MO
Call 301 YY Monroe J3S0482 YY Monroe J3S0483	753,007.55		Harry H. Houf and Sons Contractors, Inc. Mexico, MO

Call 302

79 722,408.06
 Pike
 J3P0696
 79
 Ralls/Pike
 J3P0698

St. Joseph Fuel Oil &
 Manufacturing Co.
 St. Joseph, MO

Call 303

61 10,386,884.79 2,296.00
 Lincoln
 J3P0707
 61
 Lincoln
 J3P0719
 61
 St. Charles
 J6D0501D
 40/61
 St. Charles
 J6D0501E

G & M Concrete &
 Asphalt Co., Inc.
 Troy, MO

Call 401

35 2,077,869.39 656.00
 Jackson
 J4I1350

Comanche Construction, Inc.
 Shawnee Mission, KS

Call 402

13 1,307,668.56
 Ray/Lafayette
 J4P1102M

Midwest Foundation Corp. dba
 Tremont Foundation Corp.
 Tremont, IL

Call 403

24 4,982,790.26 656.00
 Jackson
 J4P1425

D. F. Freeman Contractors, Inc.
 Shawnee, KS

Call 404

35 7,608,081.43 2,624.00
 Clinton
 J1I0927
 35
 Clay
 J4D0500C
 35
 Clay

Superior Bowen Asphalt
 Company, L.L.C.
 Kansas City, MO

J4D0500D
35
Clay
J4I1712

Call 406

152	2,090,198.28	5,248.00
Clay		
J4D0500H		
169		
Clay		
J4D0500I		
169		
Clay		
J4D0500J		
29		
Platte		
J4D0500K		
291		
Jackson		
J4D0500L		
7		
Jackson		
J4D0500N		

Penhall Company
Rogers, MN

Call 501

54	380,786.35	328.00
Cole		
J5P0884		

Don Schneider's Excavating
Company, Inc.
Jefferson City, MO

Call 502

63	1,717,851.24	984.00
Boone		
J5P0791		

APAC-Missouri, Inc.
Columbia, MO

Call 503

740	389,940.90	144.00
Boone		
J5P0838		

Don Schneider's Excavating
Company, Inc.
Jefferson City, MO

Call 601

44	57,478.58	144.00
St. Louis City		
J6I1647		

R. V. Wagner, Inc.
St. Louis, MO

Call 602 40 St. Charles J6P1448B	1,691,764.49	1,408.88	JRW Construction, Inc. St. Louis, MO
Call 603 A Jefferson J6S1779	388,739.44		L. Krupp Construction, Inc. Ellisville, MO
Call 604 44 St. Louis J6I1712 270 St. Louis J6I1741 109 St. Louis J6S1854	1,221,457.45	288.00	D & S Fencing Company Festus, MO
Call 605 67 Jefferson J6P1766	406,838.42		N. B. West Contracting Company Brentwood, MO
Call 606 367 St. Louis J6P1620 67 St. Louis J6P1625	3,593,460.00	800.00	Pace Construction Company St. Louis, MO
Call 607 44 St. Louis J6I1785	277,830.51	216.00	JRW Construction, Inc. St. Louis, MO
Call 608 231 St. Louis J6S1721 61 St. Louis J6S1730	8,901,540.00	944.00	Pace Construction Company St. Louis, MO

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St. Louis
J6D0500X

Call 609

70	6,815,925.32	6,048.00	Pace Construction Company
St. Louis City			St. Louis, MO
J6D0500P			
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St. Louis City			
J6D0500Y			
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St. Louis			
J6D0501B			
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St. Louis/St. Louis City			
J6D0501G			
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St. Louis City			
J6D0501H			
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St. Louis City			
J6D0501I			
115			
St. Louis			
J6P1720			

Call 610

370	2,739,189.15	2,624.00	L. Krupp Construction, Inc.
St. Charles/St. Louis			Ellisville, MO
J6D0500J			
94			
St. Charles			
J6D0501C			

Call 611

64/60	2,405,563.38	3,280.00	L. Krupp Construction, Inc.
St. Louis			Ellisville, MO
J6D0501A			
141			
St. Louis			
J6D0500O			
340			
St. Louis			
J6D0500W			

340
St. Louis
J6D0500Z

Call 701

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Christian/Greene
J8P0793
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Lawrence
J7D0500B
60
Lawrence
J7D0500Q

8,103,624.56

2,564.00

Leo Journagan Const.
Co., Inc.
Springfield, MO

Call 801

65
Greene
J8P0769
160
Greene
J8P0772

678,613.30

1,024.00

APAC-Missouri, Inc.
Columbia, MO

Call 803

160
Greene
J8P0771

267,235.72

800.00

Hartman and Company, Inc.
Springfield, MO

Call 805

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Greene
J8S0682

1,723,607.11

755.68

APAC-Missouri, Inc.
Columbia, MO

Call 808

44
Greene
J8I0756

2,466,418.38

681.20

Ideker, Inc.
St. Joseph, MO

Call X01

61
Scott
J0S0905

765,996.50

1,312.00

Gaines Construction, Inc.
Wentzville, MO

Call X02

55	7,265,915.86	656.00	Apex Paving Co.
Cape Girardeau/Scott			Cape Girardeau, MO
J0D0500A			

Call X03

57	7,908,231.56	656.00	Apex Paving Co.
Mississippi			Cape Girardeau, MO
J0I0909			
57			
Mississippi/Scott			
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Call X04

55	12,182,367.13	1,312.00	Apex Paving Co.
Pemiscot			Cape Girardeau, MO
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New Madrid/Scott			
J0D0500E			
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Pemiscot			
J0D0500H			
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Pemiscot			
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Totals	<u>\$107,619,332.34</u>	<u>\$40,584.50</u>	
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Construction speed limits conform to the standard work zone speed limits shown on Standard Drawing No. 616.10 as approved by the Commission.

Authority to Reject Bids

Mr. Nichols advised that bids were received March 25, 2005, on the following projects. He recommended the bids on Calls 105 and 405 be rejected because they were considered excessive.

<u>Route</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Project</u>
Call 105		
59	Andrew	J1L0500A
59, 111, 111 Spur	Holt	J1L0500F
59	Atchison/Holt	J1L0500G
59	Atchison	J1M0045

Commission Action

After consideration and upon motion by Commissioner Michie, seconded by Commissioner Webber, the Commission took the following action.

1. Awarded contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders for bids received on March 25, 2005, as recommended and noted above, and authorized an additional two percent of the contract amount for contingencies. The Commission approved the allocation of funds covering the non-contractual costs for these projects as indicated on the above tabulation.
2. Declared the bid of Al McKinley, Inc., on Call 103, to be non-responsive.
3. Rejected the bids on Calls 105 and 405.

In keeping with the Commission's Delegation of Authority to Execute Documents, the Director, Chief Engineer, or Director of Project Development may execute the contracts awarded above.

Mr. Nichols advised the Commission that in keeping with the Commission's Delegation of Authority to Execute Documents, on March 15, 2005, District 4 Engineer Beth Wright had awarded an emergency contract to repair a failed retaining wall on Route 40, Jackson County, to Clarkson Construction Company in the amount of \$634,108.80.

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**DISPOSAL OF EXCESS PROPERTY,
ROUTE 67, BUTLER COUNTY,**

On behalf of the Director, Scott Meyer, District 10 Engineer, recommended that Excess Parcel No. E10-345 containing 35.23 acres be conveyed to Markel and Shirley Yarbrow for the consideration of \$125,100. The property is located along the west side of the Route 67 bypass approximately 1.5 miles west of Poplar Bluff, Butler County.

Via approval of the consent agenda, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation.

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**ROADWAY LOCATION AND/OR DESIGN OF HIGHWAYS,
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT, AND AIR SPACE AGREEMENT,
CITY OF KANSAS CITY, BARTLE HALL EXPANSION**

On behalf of the Director, the District Engineer informed the Commission that preliminary plans and exhibits for the following projects were presented at a public hearing.

**Route I-670, Jackson County
Wyandotte Ramp onto Westbound I-670
and other related work along the south leg
of the Kansas City Downtown Loop
Job No. J4I1710
Public Hearing Held January 6, 2005**

This proposed improvement will provide for the removal of the westbound I-670 on-ramp from Wyandotte, replacement of the Wyandotte Bridge, replacement of the Central Bridge, modifications to the eastbound I-670 off-ramp to Central, construction of a city owned and operated ballroom over I-670 between Central and Wyandotte, and upgrades to I-670 under the Bartle Convention Center between Broadway and Wyandotte. This project will have fully controlled access right of way. A future ramp will be built toward westbound I-670, to be funded by the city within the next ten years. The primary detour route for the Wyandotte ramp will include using the 12th Street viaduct to westbound I-670 via Broadway. This project is 0.3 mile in length.

Ms. Beth Wright, District 4 Engineer, explained that the proposed improvement will replace bridges of city streets over I-670 along the south leg of the downtown loop and transfer ownership of the bridges with future maintenance to the city. She reported that construction of this project would require a cooperative agreement to provide for MoDOT to reimburse the City of Kansas City \$7.5 million of the cost to assume ownership and all future maintenance of the Wyandotte Street and Central Street bridges over I-670. Reimbursement funds will come from either STIP funds or local program funds between the years of 2011 and 2016. Ms. Wright

recommended approval of the location and design as presented at the public hearing and requested authority for the Director, Chief Engineer, or Director of Project Development to approve and execute the proposed cooperative agreement and the air space agreement with the City of Kansas City for construction of an expanded Bartle Hall over I-670.

Kansas City Councilman Charles Eddy spoke in support of the improvement and the need to expand Bartle Hall in order to attract major conventions to Kansas City.

Upon motion by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Webber, the Commission unanimously approved the recommendation and request as stated above.

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ROADWAY LOCATION AND/OR DESIGN APPROVAL

On behalf of the Director, Kirk Juranas, District 3 Engineer, recommended the Commission approve the location and/or design for the following project.

Route NN, Pike County
5.7 Miles North of Route 61 (Little Buffalo Creek)
Job No. J3S0634
No Public Hearing Held

This proposed improvement provides for grading, paving and replacing the bridge over Little Buffalo Creek. The typical roadway section will consist of two 10-foot lanes and 2-foot shoulders. The bridge will be 26 feet wide. This project will have normal access right of way. The road will be closed during construction and traffic will be detoured over state routes. The project is 0.2 mile in length.

Mr. Kirk Juranas, District 3 Engineer, recommended approval of the location and design as advertised in the Opportunity for a Public Hearing.

After full consideration of the favorable and adverse economic, social, and environmental effects of the recommended design, the Commission, via approval of the consent agenda,

unanimously found and determined the recommended design would best serve the interest of the public and approved the recommendation.

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**RATIFICATION OF APPROVAL OF RIGHT OF WAY
PLANS FOR CONDEMNATION**

On behalf of the Director, Dave Nichols, Director of Project Development, recommended the Commission ratify the approval of the Chief Engineer of the following right of way plans which have been filed for condemnation.

<u>County</u>	<u>Route</u>	<u>Job Number</u>	<u>Date Commission Approved Design</u>
Phelps	I-44	J9I0525	January 14, 2005

In accordance with Section 227.050 RSMo, the Commission, via approval of the consent agenda, approved the right of way plans for the above noted project and directed they be filed as necessary for the condemnation of right of way.

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-- REPORTS --

MHTC DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY

In May 2000, the Commission adopted the MHTC Debt Management Policy. The intent of the policy is to maintain top credit ratings on long-term debt issued by the Commission and to minimize borrowing costs. Reports were furnished to the Commission on the projected annual debt limit and obligations and MoDOT's program acceleration commitments. As of April 2005, the Commission is in compliance with its Debt Management Policy.

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MoDOT FINANCIAL REPORT

Pat Goff, Director of Finance, presented the Financial Report for fiscal year 2005 through February 28, 2005. The Financial Report is prepared on a cash basis and does not reflect construction contracts or funds encumbered for expense and equipment.

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DESIGN/BRIDGE ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS REPORT

Diane Heckemeyer, State Design Engineer, presented the Design/Bridge Engineering Consultants Report as of February 28, 2005. The report reflects current active consultant work on projects contained in the State Transportation Improvement Program.

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**MEDICAL AND LIFE INSURANCE PLAN,
MoDOT AND STATE HIGHWAY PATROL MEDICAL AND
LIFE INSURANCE PLAN SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT**

Jeff Padgett, Manager of Employee Benefits, Chairman, Medical and Life Insurance Plan Board of Trustees, presented reports that provided information relative to the MoDOT and Missouri State Highway Patrol Medical and Life Insurance Plan financial status for July through December 2004.

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By unanimous vote of all members present, the meeting of the Commission was adjourned.

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